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Dear Sir:

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I hereby certify that this Amendment and A Request for a Two-month Extension of Time in the above-identified patent application, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being transmitted to telefax number 703-872-9306.

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir,

This is responsive to the rejection of 08/23/04. A request for a 2-month extension of time is filed herewith making this response timely.

Please amend the Specification by substituting marked-up copy of the changes presented on the next page. On subsequent pages the marked-up listing of claims follows. A REMARKS section follows the listing of claims.